Arrest of Transport workesr.

*81. MR. N. DANIEL JOSE *(Neyyattinkara III—S. I. U. C.)*: Will the Hon'ble the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the Government is aware of the fact that Transport Workers and Indian Socialist party organisers were not provided with food (noon meals) when they were kept in custody for one day; and

(*b*) if so will the Hon'ble Minister be pleased to assign the reasons for the same?

HON'BLE MR. T. K. NARAYANA PILLAI: (*a*) No.

(*b*) Does not arise in view of answer to (a).

Chetticad Dispensary.

*82. MR. EAPEN ARAKKAL *(Ambalapuzha I—Latin Catholic)*: Will the Hon'ble Minister for Medical be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the Government are aware of the dilapidated condition of the building of the Chetticad Dispensary (Kalavoor) north of Alleppey;

(*b*) has any representation been received on this matter by the Government; and

(*c*) will the Government be pleased to see to the immediate repairs of this Dispensary building?

HON'BLE MR. E. K. MADHAVAN: (*a*) No.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) Yes. This will be looked into.

Absence of medicines in the Government Hospitals.

*83. MR. EAPEN ARAKKAL: Will the Hon'ble Minister for Medical be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the Government are aware of the difficulties of patients due to the absence of medicines in the Government Hospitals;

(*b*) has it come to the notice of the Government that poor patients who cannot afford to buy penicillin and other similar costly medicines are put to very great inconvenience and have to go away from Government hospitals without getting proper medical aid; and

(*c*) will the Government be pleased to stock such medicines, drugs etc., for the benefit of the poor patients?

HON'BLE MR. E. K. MADHAVAN: (*a*) Yes. This is being remedied.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) Yes. That will be done as far as possible.

MR. EAPEN ARAKKAL: ഇപ്പോഴുള്ള ചികിൽസാസംഘടനയിൽ പെനിസിലിനും എം. ആൻറ് ബി. സൾഫാ ധാരാളം ഉപയോഗിക്കപ്പെടുന്നതിനാൽ സാധുക്കളായ ആളുകൾക്ക് വിലകൊടുത്തു വാങ്ങിക്കാൻ സാധിക്കാത്തതുകൊണ്ട് അവർക്ക് ആ മരുന്നുകൾ ഗവണ്മെൻറിൽനിന്നും വാങ്ങിക്കൊടുക്കുന്നതിന് ഭയമുണ്ടാകുമോ?

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